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For : MICRO ELECTRO DISCHARGE MACHINING METHOD  
AND APPARATUS

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Commissioner For Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of December 23, 2003 finally rejecting claims claims 1,4,7 and 8.

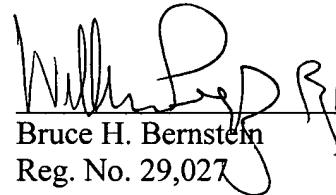
The following items are enclosed herewith:

- A request for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for 3 months.
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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

If there are any questions about this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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